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3/12/2014 Minutes

Town of Arlington

Transportation Advisory Committee

Minutes of 3/12/14, 7:15 pm to 10:00 pm, Jefferson Cutter House.

Minutes submitted by Laura Wiener.

Members and Associates Present: Jean Clark, Marjorie Moores, Howard Muise, Corey Rateau, Scott Smith, Ed Starr, Laura Wiener

Missing Members and Associates: Wayne Chouinard, John Hurd, Jeff Maxtutis, Richard Turcotte,

Members of the Public Present: none

- Public Comments. None.

- Administration.

- Minutes of 2/12/14 meeting were approved unanimously.
- Correspondence and handouts were reviewed.

- Town Reports. Laura reported that the Arlington Center Parking Study is going well. A meeting for the merchants, co-sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, will take place on Feb. 27 and a final public meeting will be on March 5. These meetings will start to roll out initial recommendations. We will probably make presentation and recommendations to Selectmen on April 7. The Master Plan Transportation Working Paper will be discussed on April 3 [changed to April 10]. Corey reported that he is responding to concern from neighbors about speeding on Marathon Street and on Bates Road.
- Acorn Park. Laura and Wayne have been working on this. The developer agreed to do some mitigation in the form of traffic light timing adjustments at Lake and Mass. Ave. We don't need this now because it will get done as part of Mass. Ave. Rebuild. We are exploring using those funds on timing adjustments around the Lake St. crossing with the Bikeway and at Brooks.
- Jason Street. Public meeting scheduled for March 31. Howard showed the presentation.
- Mill Street Flashing Beacon. Repairs to flashing beacon are in process. ARB requested that the TAC/ABAC Working Group look at installing a chicane to slow bike riders at the intersection. Scott noted that the new Toole Design Group study on the Bikeway does not recommend bollards or gates that obstruct the path. Ed noted concerns about conflicts between bikes and pedestrians. Board voted unanimously not to recommend a chicane to the ARB. Scott will present to ARB.
- Summer Street Study. Ed went through the MPO report "Summer Street Project—Before and After Evaluation".
- Safe Routes to Schools. Marjorie took over Peirce School. Jeff took Ottoson. Next Friday there is a planned "Walking Routes" walk. Maps were then distributed to see if they are current.
- Remaining items. There was no progress to report.
- Adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Meeting Materials:

- Meeting Packet for March: Agenda; Minutes of 2/12/14; Active Projects dated 3/12/2014; Project List dated 3/12/2014; Current Working Group list dated 3/12/14; Individual Action List from 2/12/14; Status of TAC Approved Actions dated 3/12/2014; Memo to TAC from Scott Smith, Re. Additional Safety Improvements at Mill Street/Trail Crossing, dated March 9, 2014.
- Tracking and Workflow for TAC Projects, Rev 1; Feb. 2014
- Summer Street Project—Before and After Evaluation

